546 Assembly Proceedings, September 23-October 26, 1723.

U. H. J. Slaves, Assented to by the Lower House and Subscribed (viz.)

October the 16th 1723 Read and Assented to by the Lower House of Assembly and Sign'd p Order M: Jenifer Cl Lo: Ho:

Which Bill being Read is likewise Assented to by this House and thus Subscribed Viz.

October the 16th 1723 Read and Assented to by the Upper House of Assembly & Sign'd p Order Sam¹ Skippon Cl Up. Ho.

A Message from the Lower House by Captain King and Captain Harrison viz.

By the Lower House of Assembly 8^{br} the 16^{th} 1723 May it Please Yor Honors

The Provincial Court wanting the Statutes at Large and other necessary Books for their use, we desire yo' Hon's Concurrence with us in directing the Honble Robert Ungle Esqr P .95 Treasurer of the Eastern Shore to send for all the Statutes at Large, Hale's Pleas of the Crown of the Last Edition, Hawkins's Pleas of the Crown, Daltons Justice of the last Edition and Nelson's Justice for that purpose, with Letters Stampt on the Outside of each Booke For the Use of the Province of Maryland

Sign'd p Order M. Jenifer Cl. Lo: Ho.

The House took into Consideration the Message from the Lower House by John Beale Esq^r and five more Yesterday, and prepared the following answer thereto viz.

By the Upper House of Assembly Oct^r the 16th 1723 Gentlemen.

By your Message of the 15th Instant by John Beale Esq^r and five more, we find our selves under a necessity of reminding, you that the Country has since the year 1670/1 and in all Probability many years before Supported the Council of State in this Province by making such Allowances from Time to Time as might Defray their Expence, when upon publick Service, either by raising an Impost for that purpose or by Assessment upon the Inhabitants by Impost untill the King assumed this Governm^t then the Legislature thought fit to employ that Impost to other uses & assess the Inhabitants p. 96 and so Continued during the Government of the Crown: when